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Last year, Papillon Empowerment achieved its goals by facilitating jobs to over 200 individuals in Haiti through teaching marketable skills including handicrafts, computer literacy, business, photography, design and English. Papillon Empowerment also worked to meet the needs of the community in Haiti throughout the political crisis and ongoing economic crisis by offering food aid, medical aid for women in labor and other emergencies, and also helping with emergency housing needs.

Over 300 households have been assisted by Papillon Empowerments efforts throughout the year.

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IMMEDIATE NEEDS

\$5k - Artisan Medical Needs
 \$6k - A home for Screen Printing

Lodane's Story - Her biggest challenge yet...



It was shortly after the earthquake in 2010 and all eyes had turned to Haiti. We had about twenty established artisans working making cereal box beads at the time, but the demand for all things Haiti was giving us the opportunity to hire and we wanted to make sure that the right people were selected. My heart was always on family preservation and as I set out to the nearby tent city, I was looking

for mothers who were at risk for seeking help at an orphanage in the post-earthquake world we were all living in. A few pieces of wood held up her shelter. A donated leaky tarp was all that covered their heads at night. Lodane and her five children lay down in the dirt at night to sleep. The days were spent wondering how she was going to feed them all. She was exactly who I was looking for. She started rolling beads that year and has since spent a decade learning and growing in skills at Papillon. She works on beads, jewelry, and also ceramics. She took in three more children when her brother died, and now is facing the biggest challenge of her life. She has breast cancer. At Empowerment, we use donations to help mothers like Lodane have a fighting chance to stay alive and continue raising their children. She is currently seeking help at the local chemotherapy clinic and we need ongoing donations to make

sure she gets the best care we can offer. Her children need their mama! Lodane is not the only one. We are constantly dealing with disease and sickness and struggle to afford to help. Many times, it is our artisan children who are sick and we want to be able to help as much as possible!

HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED?

We need continued donations for medical care and screenings, but also would love to have committed regular medical and dental professionals who are willing to come annually or every six months for checkups and to assess the people in our community and give them the best chance at a healthy and productive life.

New Artisan Village - Almost Complete!



This year we moved! After spending almost ten years in the same location, Papillon began its move this spring and is still in the process of tying up all the loose ends. We were so blessed to find a home on the Heartline Education and Employment Campus (A sister mission with very similar goals and objectives in Haiti). Your donations helped us move 40 solar panels, two generators, all six of our pottery kilns, tons (literally tons) of loose beads, our sewing department and too much else to list!

WHAT DO WE STILL NEED?

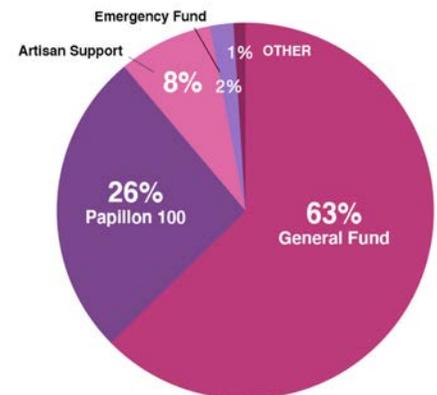
A home for screen printing! We need about \$6,000 to build a structure that can house our screen print equipment at the new location and simultaneously create roof space that will be used to dry clay for production of pottery and beads.

Please consider donating online at papillonempowerment.org

Next Steps

2020 has been a challenge to say the least! We have all felt it! But we are not discouraged and are continuing our mission to support families in Haiti by creating an environment where skills can be learned and in partnership with our business arm (Papillonmarketplace.com) we can continue to have an impact for generations to come. We feel the blessing from Heaven on our efforts and see that our needs are being met at just the right time whenever we ask. We are hopeful that the rest of this year brings much needed stability, health, and prosperity both to you, dear friend, but also to the artisans who are working in Haiti today with new hope for their future because of you.

WHERE DONORS GAVE



DONATION IMPACT - YTD



Our first and foremost objective is to use funding in a way that helps with family preservation. Ensuring artisan pay when there hasn't been enough sustainable work has been a priority this year until our economy hopefully gets back to normal and our wholesale buyers can open their stores 100%. We have had a sort of "payroll protection plan" for our artisans with the help of donations and want to say THANK YOU on their behalf for being committed to their livelihoods during this crisis. We also offer ongoing medical care, scholarships for our artisan's children, micro-loans and other forms of aid on a case by case basis as needed. Papillon100 is the

fund we have in place for finishing our move and getting our new screen print facility built. These funds go towards maintaining the environment in which the artisans can learn, be trained and be productive in their craft. The Emergency Fund is often supplemented by the General fund- but it is a safety net for any emergency medical needs as well as food and shelter aid. **100% of donations go to programs in Haiti.**

The chart on the right shows a breakdown of which funds donors contributed to so far this year.

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